Encashment of Half Pay Leave

2028. SHRI ANIL SHARMA: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether half pay leave to the Central Government employees on superannuation is being considered for encashment;

(b) if so, the guidelines fixed by Government in this regard;

(c) whether Government have circulated any circular in this matter to all the concerned departments; and

(d) if not, by when the same would be circulated?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PERSONNEL, PUBLIC GRIEVANCES AND PENSIONS (SHRIMATI VASUNDHARA RAJE): (a) to (d) In implementation of the Award of Board of Arbitration, Department of Personnel & Training issued orders dated 6.4.1993 & 13.4.1994 to all Ministries/ Departments of Government of India extending the benefit of encashment of entire Half Pay Leave at the credit of Central Government Employees who retired/retire on superannuation w.e.f 14th July, 1982, subject to the conditions that pension and pension equivalent of other retirement benefits shall be deducted from the amount payable as cash equivalent, as provided in sub-rule(5) of Rule 39 of CCS (Leave) Rules, 1972.

Impact of discontinuance of Centrally Sponsored Schemes

2029. SHRI P. PRABHAKAR REDDY: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is fact that Government have decided to weed out several Centrally Sponsored and Central Sector Schemes;

(b) if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefore;